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January 25, 2012

Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc.
Attention: Stephen B. Seiple
200 Civic Center Drive
P.O. Box 117
Columbus, Ohio 43216-0117

Re: Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc.
Petition for Confidential Treatment received 12/1/11
PSC Reference – Case No. 2010-00365

Dear Mr. Seiple:

The Public Service Commission has received the Petition for Confidential Treatment you filed on December 1, 2011 on behalf of Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. ("Columbia") to protect certain information filed with the Commission as confidential pursuant to Section 7 of 807 KAR 5:001 and KRS 61.870. The information you seek to have treated as confidential is identified as being contained in Columbia's Hedging Report for the 2011-2012 heating season. The information is described as containing sensitive pricing information of which Benchmark and Trigger Prices can be determined.

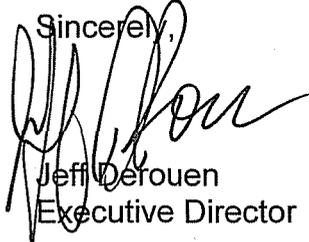
Your justification for having the Commission handle this material as confidential is that the public disclosure of the information could result in an unfair commercial advantage to competitors, and reveal trade secrets.

Based on a review of the information and pursuant to KRS 61.878 and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 7, the Commission has determined that the information requested to be held confidential is of a proprietary nature, which if publicly disclosed would permit an unfair commercial advantage to Columbia's competitors. Therefore, the information requested to be treated as confidential **meets the criteria for confidential protection** and will be maintained as a nonpublic part of the Commission's file in this case. The procedure for usage of confidential materials during formal proceedings may be found at Section 7(8) of 807 KAR 5:001.

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If the information becomes publicly available or no longer warrants confidential treatment, Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. is required by Section 8(9)(a) of 807 KAR 5:001 to inform the Commission so that the information may be placed in the public record.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeff Derouen". The signature is stylized and cursive, written over the printed name and title.

Jeff Derouen
Executive Director

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cc: Parties of Record